

REMARKS

Applicant hereby thanks the examiner for allowing Claims 1-20. The specification and Claims 1, 8, 12, and 16 are amended to correct obvious grammatical and typographical errors. No substantive change has been made either to the specification or to the claims.

Applicant also thanks the examiner for the interview held on December 14, 2004 regarding the Response to Office Action that was filed on November 16, 2004 and the Advisory Action of December 9, 2004. During the interview, the undersigned attorney asked the Examiner regarding the scope of the allowed claims as he understood it, in the hope of finding ways to amend the language for clarification without necessitating a new search. However, no agreement was reached.

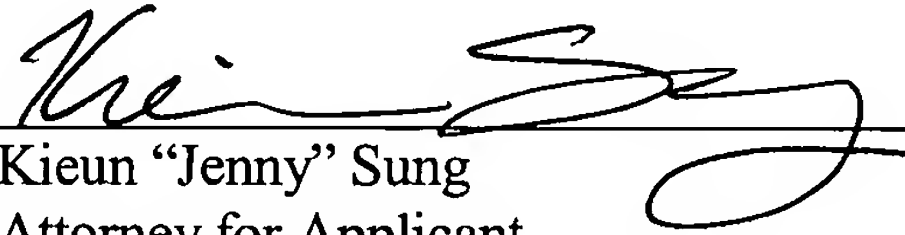
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